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DEAR GENERAL CLARK:

THE PRESS REPORTS TODAY THAT SENATOR JOSEPH R.

MCCARTHY STATES THAT HE GAVE TO YOU YESTERDAY INFORMATION
ON "ALLEGED COMMUNISM AND CORRUPTION" IN THE CENTRAL
INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

UNDER DATE OF 7 JULY 1954 I WROTE SENATOR MCCARTHY
AS CHAIRMAN OF THE PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS
REFERRING TO HIS ALLEGATIONS OF COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF
THE CIA AND REQUESTING THAT HE MAKE AVAILABLE TO ME ANY
EVIDENCE HE HAD IN SUPPORT OF THESE ALLEGATIONS TO PERMIT
AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION THEREOF. A COPY OF THAT LETTER
WAS SENT TO YOU ON 7 JULY 1954. I RECEIVED NO REPLY WHATSOEVER
FROM SENATOR MCCARTHY TO THIS LETTER.

IN THE EVENT THAT ANY OF THE INFORMATION WHICH SENATOR MCCARTHY NOW STATES HE HAS TURNED OVER TO YOU CONTAINS, AS ALLEGED, ANY INDICATION OF COMMUNISM OR CORRUPTION IN THE CIA, I WOULD INVESTIGATE THE MATTER IMMEDIATELY AND THROUGHLY. CERTAINLY SUCH INVESTIGATION SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT AWAIT THE REPORT OR FINDINGS OF YOUR COMMITTEE SOME MONTHS HENCE. ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN NOW.

ACCORDINGLY I URGENTLY REQUEST THAT YOU MAKE AVAILABLE TO ME AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT ANY INFORMATION IN THE MATERIAL FURNISHED YOU BY SENAOOR MCCARTHY WHICH WOULD PERMIT AN IMMEDIATE AND THRROUGH INVESTIGATION OF THE MCCARTHY CHARGES.

FAITHFULLY YOURS,

ALLEN W. DULLES,

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE.

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